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COUNTRY	East Germany	25X1	REPORT NO.	
TOPIC	Soviet Air Force in Werder		25X1	
EVALUATION		25X1	PLACE OBTAINED	
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- Between 11 and 24 March 1954, [] trucks were used by Soviet Air Force commissaries for purchases at the central commissary (Besa) in Werder:

Commissaries

Voichenkov (1)

Volevach (2)

Gitun (3)

Filyatski (5)

Toporkov (8)

Mashkin (9)

Krushilnitski (11)

Tupitsin (12)

Komar (14)

Zenozatski (17)

Magazin (6)

Magazin (7b)

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- About 5:30 p.m. on 12 March, a Soviet twin-engine aircraft landed at Werder airfield, coming from the east. About 10 a.m. on 13 March, an aircraft, probably the one which had landed on the preceding day, took off.

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3. In mid-March, the Soviet officers of the individual commissaries showed a marked disinclination to buy political books, but they wanted novels, particularly translations of American and English books. Officers Vol'evach, Gitun and Mashkin stated that they were not willing to pay for the political books offered to them as these books would not be read but burned or piled up with other books of the same type. None of the officers was ready to take the book "The struggle of the French people against Hitler and his associates". However, this book and a number of other books was finally forced on the officers by the chief of the Basa.

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1. Comment. No changes were observed with the commissaries which made their purchases at the Basa in Werder.

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2. Comment. Werder airfield is used by courier aircraft of the Hq Twenty-Fourth Air Army.

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